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## The Unforgettable 50's

The Advisory Board of the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center is sponsoring a fund-raiser dinner on Nov. 3 before the first performance of the season at the Dolly Hand. Titled "The Fabulous Unforgettable 50's" the dinner will include cheeseburgers, hamburgers or hotdogs, french fries or onion rings and "Unforgettable" root beer floats. The meal will be served from 5 to 7 p.m. before the Pump Boys and the Diablos show at 7:30 p.m.

Participants are invited to attend in 50's garb.

Tickets are \$6 and can be purchased by calling 992-6160 or 996-4404.

## Free car seat check-up

The Belle Glade Fire Department is offering free child car seat check-ups on Friday, Nov. 3 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. The check-ups will be held at the fire station, 525 S.W. Second Street, Belle Glade.

Appointments are required. Call Lori or Lt. Hamilton at 992-2032.

## Book discussions

The Belle Glade Branch Library will host book discussions starting on November 4. The group will meet the first Saturday of the month, from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Among the books to be discussed are: *The Great Gatsby* by F. Scott Fitzgerald, Nov. 4; *Their Eyes Were Watching God* by Zora Neale Hurston, Dec. 2; *Brave New World* by Aldous Huxley, Jan. 6; *The Awakening* by Kate Chopin, Feb. 3; *Bridge of San Luis Rey* by Thornton Wilder, March 3; and *Sister Carrie* by Theodore Dreiser, April 7.

Sign up at the library if you are interested in attending one or all of these discussions. Paperback copies of the books will be loaned to people participating in the book discussion group.

Groups will be led by Rosemary Buchanan or Sonja Lutz.

For more information, call the Belle Glade Branch Library at 996-3453.

## Nutcracker auditions at the Dolly Hand Nov. 6

PBCC's Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center is proud to announce that DCR ALIVE State Touring Company will be performing *The Nutcracker* on Dec. 12 at 7:30 p.m. They will be presenting a "Community Nutcracker" using students from our area dance schools. Dancers will audition for roles in the First Act Party Scene as well as the Battle Scene, joining the professional dancers to truly make a magical *Nutcracker* for the western communities.

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## Elementary school students recognized for "doing the right thing"

By Tracy Whirls

The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office District V Community Policing Unit, Palm Beach County School District Area 4 and Glades area business sponsors recognized 72 elementary school students from Belle Glade, South Bay, Pahokee and Canal Point Monday during the first "Do the Right Thing" awards program of the 2000 school year.

The "Do the Right Thing" program, a not-for-profit organization, targets and rewards the "good" children of the Glades community for their behavior, deeds and/or accomplishments. The program was initiated by the Miami Police Department in 1990, after seeing the positive

effect an award ceremony had on a high school student who was recognized for turning in a loaded handgun despite the pressure of his peers.

Teachers nominate children from their school each month. A Board of Directors then chooses first, second and third place winners from each school's list of nominees. All nominees receive a certificate of nomination and an award item. All finalists receive T-shirts, school supplies and other award items. Each school's monthly first place winner receives a plaque in addition to the other award items.

In nominating the first place winners of their respective schools, teachers selected chil-

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The Palm Beach County Sheriff's Office recognized Glades area students at an awards ceremony Monday at Pioneer Park.

## Pahokee to consider increased campground fees, marina operation at next meeting

By Tracy Whirls

The Pahokee commission will again consider increasing fees at the city operated campground at their next regular meeting Nov. 14 and will reconsider their options for leasing the marina after requests for proposals are received Nov. 4.

Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Alice Thompson and others had asked during the Oct. 24 workshop on the campground and marina that the request for proposals for development of the marina be withdrawn, because they were not widely enough

advertised, and were not specific enough to allow a developer to provide an RFP. Palm Beach County Senior Planner Vicki Silver also attended the meeting and noted that the relationship between the recently accepted proposal for redevelopment of the marina and downtown Pahokee and the selection of a potential operator for the Pahokee Marina is important.

Also attending the workshop was Guy Besing, executive director of the Palm Beach County Marine Industries Association, whose background is in hotel management, and tourism development.

Saying that he did not want to be "the person who comes in from out of town and argues with the commission about all their decisions," Mr. Besing told the commissioners they must first develop a business plan, outlining terms of any potential lease agreement for the marina, delineating what improvements any potential developer might be expected to make, and what returns the city expects to receive from the marina's operation before any request for proposals for the operation of the marina should be accepted. He further suggested that operation of the marina and campground

should be marketed for development as a package, but that the commission must first develop a business plan for their operation.

Mr. Besing made his comments at the end of a lengthy workshop prior to the regular commission meeting during which the commissioners tentatively agreed to increase the campground rates to \$15 per night for sites with electricity and \$13 per night for sites without electricity.

Pahokee City Manager Ken Schenck told the commission during the workshop that while Pahokee's weekly and monthly

campground rates are comparable to those of both Belle Glade and South Bay, the city's nightly rate is roughly \$2 less than either RV park charges for lots with electricity and nearly \$6 less for lots without electricity.

According to Mr. Schenck, Belle Glade charges \$16.50 per day, while South Bay RV Park charges a \$16 daily rate, with a reduction to \$15.40 for Florida residents. Mr. Schenck said other campgrounds around the lake charge significantly higher rates: \$27 a night at the KOA Campground in Okeechobee.

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## City interviews two candidates for city manager

By Brenda Bunting  
Editor

"I don't need this job, but I want the challenge," city manager candidate Preston Daniels told Belle Glade City Commissioners as they interviewed him Tuesday morning at city hall.

Also interviewed Tuesday was longtime Belle Glade resident Carl Seibert, currently the executive director for the EDGE Center in Belle Glade.

Four of the five city commissioners attended the workshop to interview the two candidates for the city manager's position, which is open once again after the majority of the commission voted not to hire Tony Smith on Oct. 25. Mr. Smith is currently the director of administrative services for the Florida Department of Labor and Employment Security and a former Riviera Beach City Manager.

Commissioners voted not to hire Mr. Smith at a special meeting. Commissioners Steve Wilson and Steve Weeks voted to hire Mr. Smith, but were outvoted by Mayor D. B. Mathis, Vice Mayor Jeff Hawkins and Commissioner Don Garrett.

Mr. Smith's attorney, Glen Torcivia, who was at the meeting, says his client has a valid, signed contract and he will be



City Manager candidate Preston Daniels answers questions from Belle Glade City Commissioners on Tuesday, Oct. 31. In addition to Mr. Daniels, local resident Carl Seibert was also interviewed for the vacant position.

suing the city on behalf of Mr. Smith.

Mr. Smith was the top choice between seven candidates interviewed before then-mayor Hanna Miller was voted out of office. Mrs. Miller, the city attorney and acting city manager Dave Woods negotiated a contract with Mr. Smith and his attorney, City Attorney Charles

Schoech said he told those in the negotiations that portions of the contract violated the city's charter, including the fact that it was a five year contract that included a severance package that offered Mr. Smith a year's salary if he were to be

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## 'Heart to Heart' drive to benefit infant transplant recipient

By Tracy Whirls

Despite the odds that said she would not live, to celebrate her second birthday, a 19-month old Pahokee child is recovering from heart transplant surgery at Jackson Memorial Hospital in Miami. Friends of her family are organizing a card drive and fund raising effort to assist her and her family while she recuperates.

Danielle Hixson, the daughter of Edna and Donnell Hixson of Pahokee, was born with cardiomyopathy, or an enlarged heart, which has caused her to be hospitalized repeatedly since birth. After once being denied a heart transplant because she was too sick to survive the surgery, Danielle received a new heart Oct. 25. She remains in intensive care at Jackson Memorial while she recuperates.

Her mother, who works as a secretary in the Palm Beach County Guardian Ad Litem Office in Belle Glade, and her father, who's employed by Osceola Farms, are staying in the Ronald McDonald house in Miami to be near their daughter.

Mrs. Hixson's co-workers have organized a "Heart to Heart" Card Drive and are encouraging area school children, clubs, churches, businesses and individuals to send cards to the family, care of the Guardian Ad Litem Office.

"The cards will be collected

and taken to Danielle and her family at Jackson Memorial," said Guardian Ad Litem Case Coordinator Julia Wilkinson, who is spearheading the effort. "Thank you in advance for making this family feel supported by their community."

The Guardian Ad Litem Office has also set up a fund to benefit the family while Danielle recuperates. The surgery itself was covered by insurance, Ms. Wilkinson said, but the parents have had to take "leaves of absence from their respective jobs while their youngest daughter remains hospitalized. They must continue to pay their regular expenses as well as the additional costs of food and lodging in Miami, as well as transportation to and from the city to Pahokee where Danielle has an older brother and sister, both students at "Canal Point Elementary, at home."

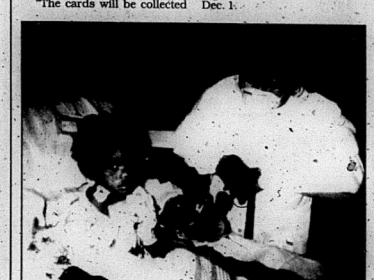
Donations may be mailed to the Danielle Hixson Benefit Fund, Attn.: Julia Wilkinson, Guardian Ad Litem, 2976 State Road 15, Belle Glade, Fla. 33430 or may be made directly at any Fidelity Federal Bank location.

The Guardian Ad Litem office is also sponsoring a drawing for a child's scooter to benefit Danielle Hixson. Tickets are \$1, and may be purchased from any Guardian Ad Litem or by phone at 996-4894. The drawing for the scooter will be held Dec. 1.

## SECURICOR RECOGNIZED



Pahokee Police Chief Gary Franchette, third from left, and Pahokee Mayor Roy L. Singletary, second from left, presented Securicor district administrator Pete Ziegers, left, and supervisor Kerry Knot with a certificate of appreciation for the company's support of the first public safety day observance. Securicor operates Sago Palm Academy in Pahokee.



Danielle Hixson, 19 months old, is pictured here with an intensive care nurse as she's prepared for the heart transplant surgery performed Oct. 25.

## School

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den who displayed leadership, acceptance of new or "different" students, who avoided fighting and promoted alternative conflict resolution skills among their peers, and showed respect for other students, teachers and their property.

In nominating Canal Point Elementary first place winner Corey Ferguson, his teacher, Sharon Angelotti wrote, "While playing at PB, a boy from another class slapped Corey across the face in front of several boys from his peer group. Although Corey was angered and the other boy continued to pursue a fight, Corey backed off, took some deep breathes and decided it was not worth it to be suspended. Corey has since avoided being around the other boy and has stated that he will not fight at school and will try to handle all situations without fighting." Similarly, Pioneer Park Elementary first place winner Jacquese Philibert was nominated by her teacher after refusing to fight with another student. "Jacquese was standing in line and the child behind her gave a push. Jacquese asked the child not to push her; then the child hit her. Jacquese

made the right choice by immediately telling the teacher," Mrs. Parody wrote. Glade View Elementary first place winner Richard Allen was nominated by his teacher, Montana Cowan after he "put himself between two fighting students and told them to 'do the right thing.'" "Richard demonstrated knowledge of fighting fair rules," Mrs. Cowan noted.

Rosenwald Elementary first place winner Alayzha Laws was nominated by teacher Carol Bowie after turning in a dollar bill she found on the classroom floor. "Her first instinct was not to keep it, but to tell me so that the money would be returned to the right person," Ms. Bowie wrote.

Other students were recognized for their efforts to help others. Belle Glade Elementary second-grader Joycelyne Exantus was described as an "all-around winner" by her teacher Shari Happel. "She always volunteers to help our special needs child. She goes out of her way to show kindness to those in need and those hurting. What impresses me the most is that Joycelyne will stand up for what's right—she'll push up steam rather than go with the flow!" Ms. Happel said. Gove Elementary first place winner Jessica Bryant was

nominated after taking a special needs student under her wing. "She has literally taken the student under her wing, thoroughly explaining all the work and helping her the best she can. Whether she knows it or not, Jessica is taking the lead in showing the class to accept people despite their differences," wrote teacher Victoria Arias.

Other students were recognized as being role models in their own right. Pahokee Elementary School teacher Christina Mears nominated Everado Ortiz for his first place award as an "excellent role model for other students." "He encourages others to behave appropriately in a kind way and without being asked to do so, can always rely on him to be a line leader or bathroom monitor. He has excellent leadership skills and is a role model for all. Joycelyne Exantus was recognized by his teacher, Carolyn Carter for sharing his love of reading despite difficult circumstances. He has a speech impediment, but this does not keep him from working hard and doing his best. He loves to read and is a favorite book to the first grade class," Mrs. Carter said, adding that he also helps other students push chairs in and pick up trash in the school's lunchroom.

Nominees and first, second and third place winners from each of eight Glades area elementary schools were recognized. They included:

■ **Rosenwald Elementary, South Bay:** First place: Alayzha Laws; Second place: Adrian Davis; Third place: Shantigua King. Other nominees from Rosenwald included Israel Perez and Ernesto Trevino.

■ **Belle Glade Elementary:** First place: Joycelyne Exantus; Second place: Angel Amezcua; Third place: Manuel Martinez. Other nominees from Belle Glade Elementary included Joseph Herrera, Adrianna Garcia and Vicquella Joseph.

■ **Glade View Elementary:** First place: Richard Allen; Second place: Sandra Joseph; Third place: Lourdeline Atus. Other nominees from Glade View Elementary included Latoria Cox, Tamara Nicholas, Denise Berger, Stephen Johnson, Shelove Jacobson, Leikashpa Scott and L'Erica Williams.

■ **Canal Point Elementary:** First place: Corey Ferguson; Second place: Antonio Boute; Third place: Justin Tomlin. Other nominees from Canal Point Elementary included Douglas Hart, Jamisha Moore, Lonesta McFadden, Brittany Honeycutt, Frankra

Washington, Guillermo Soto, Esteban Toribio and Scott Burgess.

■ **Gove Elementary:** First place: Jessica Bryant; Second place: Corey Becraft; Third place: Barry Johnson. Other nominees from Gove Elementary included Ashley Arroyo, Kayla Collier, Tajlan Howard, Fernando Martinez, Miguel Ruiz, Ashley Underwood, Rogelio Rodriguez, Alejandro Albor, Laurie Pope, Mayra Hernandez, Nakeedra Wright, Isabel Hernandez and Roberto Panigaglia.

■ **Pahokee Elementary:** First place: Everado Ortiz; Second place: Anthony Sheppard; Third place: Marketteis Scurry. Other nominees from Pahokee Elementary included Markvetous Smith, Jacqueline Sallet, Klara Rawls, Vonschaun Cunningham, Rosalva Atkins, Gwennacool Humphries, Savannah Hull, Britney Brown, Daisy Vazquez and Ramanda Brown.

■ **Glades Day School Elementary:** First place: Tyler Gay; Second place: Rey Soriano; Third place: Elise Gwaria. Other nominees from Glades Day Elementary included Taylor Mann, Caleb Duff and Conner Seibert.

■ **Pioneer Park Elementary:** First place: Jacquese Philibert; Second place: Clarence Lewis; Third place: Jannara Juene. Other nominees from Pioneer Park Elementary included Patricia Pulido and Jenessa Rodriguez.



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\$27.50 in season at Hooker's Point RV in Clewiston. \$24 out of season. \$19.95 without electricity.

"The other campgrounds we looked at around the lake have a lot more amenities than we do. But their rates are a lot higher," Mr. Schenck said. "Belle Glade and South Bay are a lot more similar to us in the amenities they provide." Mr. Schenck added that both campgrounds rates have been increased recently. He said it was too soon to tell whether the rate increase has affected their occupancy rate.

Mr. Schenck said that South Bay and Belle Glade have other advantages that Pahokee lacks.

"South Bay's campground is right on US 27, so they have a much bigger traffic flow than we do," Mr. Schenck said.

Asked about the financial health of the campground, Mr. Schenck said the campground is "close to break even."

"It's close to break even if we don't have a lot of maintenance. It's up and down depending on the season. We lost money the year the water was so high. A lot of people left early because the lake left water in the campground every time we got a half inch wave," Mr. Schenck said.

"The problem is we have to make all our money in three or four months. In a good winter season, we make all our money. After that, it's mostly weekends," Mr. Schenck said. "If we don't have a good winter, we lose money."

"We can't continue saying open season losing money."

Commissioner Hugh Branch said.

In response to a question from Mr. Branch, Mr. Schenck said the campground's occupancy rate has dropped in recent years.

"We had a good long period there where we had real good customers that stayed. Then we had a couple of winters with really bad weather, so the last couple of years have been down from what it was before," Mr. Schenck said.

Mr. Branch said he has heard campers complain, not about the weather, but about the city's services.

"I've heard it said that campers are not coming back because it's not kept up," Mr. Branch said. "We need to spend a little more money to keep the restrooms cleaner. I don't think anybody's going to fuss too much about a \$2 increase in rates if we can add some services that haven't been rendered," said Commissioner Branch.

Roy L. Singletary, who initially expressed reservations about increasing the rates at once, agreed that the city must enclose the campgrounds laundry facility to protect campers from insects. Pahokee Chamber of Commerce Executive Director Alice Thompson agreed, adding that the commission should also improve the campground shower facilities.

"We lived there for year and a half and I can tell you it gets awfully cold up there in those showers in the winter time," Mrs. Thompson said.

"We're going to have to bite the bullet here, till we get a really good facility that attracts people looking for a place to stay," Mr. Branch said. "We're sitting on a much greater asset than we realized it is done right."

City manager Schenck noted that even with a \$2 rate increase, only an additional \$3-4000 would be generated each year.

Commissioner Keith Babb said he favored a lower rate to attract bargain hunters.

"Even with the \$2 rate increase, it will still be lowest in the Glades, even if it's not that much. We can have a better facility and still have the bragging rights for being the cheapest," said Commissioner Branch.

Mr. Bessing asked the commission would want to target bargain hunters.

"Given the kind of people who camp out and the kind of money they spend on their vehicles, a \$1-\$2 rate difference isn't going to make that much of a difference, so as to whether they stay here or at a competing campground," Mr. Bessing said, adding that the commission can continue to be very rate sensitive and continue to bring in the same rate-sensitive customers, or they can improve the facilities, provide service and then market the campground to a clientele who will pay a higher rate if its marketed properly.

Mr. Bessing shared his experience as a hotel manager charged with bringing guests to a downtown Cleveland hotel in its summer time in the late sixties, at a time when the river was so polluted it was regularly catching fire. After researching what was unique about the area, Mr. Bessing said, he discovered that the hotel was only 40 miles away from a series of lake islands where the water was located. He was able to package accommodations with winery tours and market the package to wealthy retirees.

Commissioner Pete Moore said recreational camping and boating, rather than hosting fishing tournaments, might be Pahokee's niche market.

"We've got one of the most beautiful campgrounds around the lake as far as location," Commissioner Moore said. "Belle Glade and South Bay are not on the lake itself, they're on the canal. The ROAs and otherwise are not on the water. In Belle Glade, from every spot,

when you look, you're looking across the canal to next door at another trailer. Any place else on the waterfront, Lake Worth or whatever, it costs you more money and here we're concerned about not charging as much. We keep talking about Belle Glade and us and we're afraid to charge what Belle Glade's charging."

During the meeting, Mr. Babb charged that the Belle Glade Marina attracts a different clientele than Pahokee.

"We're a fishing camp, we're a recreational camp. They come down there take their boats out every day—that's what they're there for. They're here for sight-seeing, and they fish off the bank or the pier. We have a pier, like nobody else has," Commissioner Moore said.

On the other hand, he admitted and the other commissioners agreed, being on the waterfront in the winter time sometimes has its drawbacks. "I've had campers say, it's too rough for me and they pull out and go to Belle Glade," Mayor Singletary said.

Mr. Bessing said the commissioners must sit down and project how much additional income, based on averages for the last three years, they thought the campground must generate to bring it up so that it's competitive with other campgrounds in the area. "I don't think you can make a decision intelligently based on what you have. I hear everyone saying we have to improve service, but I don't hear anybody saying how much it's going to cost to improve service."

Commissioner Branch agreed. "This gentleman has brought up the most important thing that's been said tonight. In order for us to arrive at a rate that's going to allow us to make improvements, we're doing all this without any research on how many campers we've had over the past three years. I don't have the foggiest idea how much it costs to run it, how much we took in or on anything," Commissioner Branch said.

Mr. Schenck said he would provide the commissioners with more detailed information concerning the campground and marina's operating budgets at their next meeting.

## Gloria Steinem to speak at PBCC as part of diversity week

Gloria Steinem, women's right activist, writer and co-founder of Ms. magazine, will speak at Palm Beach Community College as part of the school's Diversity Week celebration Nov. 6-10.

Ms. Steinem, who became a major feminist leader in the late 1960s, will speak at noon Nov. 8 in the Duncan Theater at the Lake Worth location, 4200 Congress Ave. The event is part of the school's Diversity Week activities and is open to the community as seating availability permits. During Diversity Week, one of PBCC's four locations—Belle Glade, Boca Raton, Lake Worth and Palm Beach Gardens—will host events including panel discussions, food festivals, music performances, dance lessons, fashion shows and exhibits to recognize and celebrate the various cultural and personal differences of the students, employees and the community. PBCC began holding Diversity Week in 1999.

"This is one of the major events of the diversity initiatives that have been implemented at the College to promote the positive perception and acceptance of diversity," said Ardease Johnson, employment manager and assistant to the president for diversity initiatives.

One of the highlights of the week's events include the personal stories of Bill Maxwell, an editorial writer and columnist for the St. Petersburg Times and Beverly Coyle, an author and English professor at Vassar College. In a reading and conversation called "Parallel Lives," Ms. Coyle and Mr. Maxwell will discuss how growing up in the 1950s in Florida was different for blacks and whites.

Although the two noted writers were raised in towns only a few miles apart in Northeast Florida, they grew up during the last days of Jim Crow, in a society that kept blacks and whites separate. Parallel Lives, sponsored in part by the Florida Humanities Council, will be at 10:30 a.m. Nov. 6 in the Dolly Hand Theatre in Belle Glade and at noon Nov. 7 in Boca Raton in room CA 101.

## City

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fired in the first year, a nine month salary if fired in the second or third year and six months salary if he were to be fired in the final two years of his five year contract. The city's charter states that the severance package be 30 days to three months' pay.

Now, the commission is again looking for a city manager to fill the position that has been open since July when the former city manager Shelton Smith resigned to take a job in Dothan, Alabama.

Finance Director Dave Wood continued to be acting city manager until the commission hires a new manager.

After interviewing both candidates at length, Commissioner Steve Weeks said he would like the commission to consider going back out to advertise for the position. "I think we have limited our choices," said Commissioner Weeks. He also suggested the city hire a head hunter to find top candidates for the position.

Mayor D. Bill Morris agreed, saying, "I think it's important to find someone who will fit into this community."

Commissioner Jeff Hawkins also agreed, saying, "It's not to say that either one of the candidates were not qualified or wouldn't do a good job, but we need to not limit ourselves."

The commission will decide the issue at the regular meeting Nov. 6.

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# Pahokee Housing Authority rates as high performer

## Modernization efforts continue

The Pahokee Housing Authority received its annual Public Housing Assessment Score from the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development Oct. 20, with a score of 91.3, designating the authority as a high performer for the third consecutive year in 2000.

The assessment measures everything from the housing department's efficiency in making repairs, comprehensive grant modernization efficiency, inspections of all dwelling units, tracking crime and crime-related incidents on housing authority property, evictions, financial assessments and management strategies.



Pahokee Housing Authority Executive Director Julia Hale shows some of the kitchen remodeling work recently completed at Padgett Island.

In a continuing effort to modernize the units they manage, the authority recently closed out its comprehensive grant #706 modernization program which included redesigning and installing new kitchen cabinets at the Padgett Island Homes Development. According to PHA Executive Director Julia Hale, residents of that development are quite pleased with new paint jobs that included newly painted walls, the installation of range hoods, and beautiful cabinets.

The total cost of this project was \$600,166. The project also included re-paving the Fremd Village Development and a portion of Padgett Island Homes.

The total cost of the repaving project was over \$200,000.

Comprehensive grant program #707 is currently underway. This modernization program includes fire hydrant replacement in all four developments managed by the Pahokee Housing Authority at a cost of \$115,171.45; water meter relocation in the Padgett Island Development at a cost of \$75,425; sanitary sewer line repairs, at a cost of \$35,463 and repainting and porch improvements at the Fremd Village Development at a cost of \$264,000.

Comprehensive Grant Program #708 is in the planning phase and is expected to begin at the end of the year. The proposed work items include new kitchen cabinets for Fremd Village, renovation of the Bernice Bell Recreation Center at the Padgett Island site, resurfacing the basketball courts at both Padgett Island and Fremd Village and resurfacing the driveways in McClure Village.

The Modernization Comprehensive Grant Program is managed by Deputy Executive Director Victor B. Atkins and Executive Director Julia Hale.

# Glades General birthing center hosts open house

The new addition to the Obstetrics Department will open Nov. 9 and will include five state-of-the-art, labor, delivery and recovery rooms, giving the hospital the ability to serve eight laboring mothers at any one time. This addition will also enable Glades General to offer private, postpartum rooms to their patients.

"The nursing staff has been involved in all aspects of the project, from picking out tile, paint, curtains, and pictures to ensuring the rooms are large enough to accommodate visiting family members comfortably and have large windows to let in an abundance of sunlight," said Lynn Foley, R.N.C., Glades Birthing Center Nurse Manager.

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more than 20 years experience in obstetrics with seven of them, being nationally certified in Infant, Obstetrics and two nationally certified in Nursery. This care is greatly enhanced by the presence of the hospital's Neonatologist and Nurse Practitioners.

The community is welcome to join Glades General Hospital administration and staff for the Open House and Ribbon Cutting Nov. 8 from 4 to 6 p.m.

# The Xeriscape files: True confessions of weed warrior

Like many residents of the Lake Okechobee area, I get water from a private well.

"I think the knowledge anything that goes into the ground around my home might as soon point wind up in the water coming out of the tap has something to do with my concerns about herbicides, pesticides and herbicides."

For the sake of my own water supply, I do my best to use natural methods of growing the plants I want. I don't have something those I don't. The fact that it's good for South Florida and good for the planet in general is the only reason I use them.

"Xeriscaping" is a word often thrown about in commercials about saving water. Even though it's a long word that sounds like I may have something to do with Mulder and Scully, xeriscaping simply means to plant native vegetation. Native plants are better adapted to the drought or flooding cycles this area is prone to. Native plants are also more resistant to Florida insects.

As a working mom with two young children, I also appreciate the fact that native plants simply take less work. For example, we don't ever water the grass in front of my house. Watering just makes it grow faster and then we'd have to mow it. The only fertilizing done to the lawn was when one of the cows got out of the back pasture.

When we first moved into our current home, we tried various kinds of shrubs around the front porch, but had little luck. What can you plant in a place that was under water during most of El Nino? A nursery owner suggested hibiscus, which grows wild in parts of South Florida. We planted two dozen small bushes in February and despite the fact that the rainy season seemed to skip us this year, the flowering plants are now four times their original size. They would be even bigger than that, but I keep trimming them back.

I even planted a Custard Apple Tree in the front pasture, after being assured that cows



don't bother this Florida native. Unfortunately, although my cows are Florida natives, they apparently didn't know they aren't supposed to eat Custard Apple Trees.

Despite my best efforts to plant native vegetation, some nasty cecidians try to sneak in. I am currently waging the war against Tropical Soda Apples. Tropical Soda Apples apparently came to this country mixed into bales of imported hay. They like it here. They spread quickly, are hard to kill and even the Florida insects won't try to eat them. Tropical Soda Apple plants are covered in large, sharp thorns. Even the leaves have thorns.

Just cutting Soda Apples

doesn't get rid of them. If you leave any part of the root in the ground, the plant can grow back. They are also spread by the seeds of the yellow fruit.

Ranchers have advised me that the only way to kill Tropical Soda Apples is carefully cut the plants as close to the root as possible, bag the plants (being careful not to drop any fruit) and then treat the root directly with a powerful herbicide. Such is the lot of a weed warrior.

Stalking through the pasture with a garbage can in tow, trying to cut the Tropical Soda Apple plants without impaling yourself on the thorns, carefully collecting all the cuttings and fruit, and then using an eye-dropper to apply herbicide directly to the cut stem. Use a weak herbicide and the plant won't die. Use too much strong herbicide and you will kill other plants around it and risk contamination of the groundwater.

Sometimes the plants fight back, piercing a glove with razor-sharp thorn. And they don't give up easily. A weed warrior must be vigilant.

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# Big "O" Hike - Last chance for the greatest challenge of the Millennium

The ninth annual hike around Lake Okechobee's 107-mile perimeter promises to be south Florida's challenge of the millennium. The event takes on a special significance this year as the lake section of Florida's National Scenic Trail was designated as a Community Legacy Trail by the White House Millennium Council.

This nine-day hiking odyssey begins Nov. 18. Participants will meet at 7:30 a.m. at the South Bay RV Park, Highways 80/27, for a Legacy Celebration. Then at 8:30 a.m., hikers will walk the walk. From one-hour, to one-day, to nine days...or a total of 282,000 strides to complete the Big "O".

Hiking pace and distance are individual choices. The first day includes a "wimp" walk (less than four miles) for those just wanting a taste of the real outdoors. After going the distance they will be shuttled back to the starting point. Others who want to savor larger chunks of South Florida's natural environment can participate in day or multi-day trips. And hikers looking for a once-in-a-lifetime event to satisfy their adventurous appetites will want to tackle the whole nine days.

Millennium Trails is a Partnership among the White House Millennium Council, the U.S. Department of Transportation and Rails-to-

Trail Conservancy, with American Express as the lead corporate partner. The initiative recognizes and supports trails that preserve open spaces, promote history and enhance recreation.

The Lokahatchee Chapter of the Florida Trail Association has held the Big "O" Hike annually for the last eight years. All are invited to join this year's millennium hike to renew their awareness and appreciation of South Florida's unique environment. Call Sunny Piskura at 561-439-4381, Judy Perham at 561-439-7171, or Paul Cummings at 561-734-4416 for complete details.

# KEEPING THE PUBLIC SAFE



Officers with the South Bay Public Safety Department were out in force last Saturday during the city's annual Bay Fest celebration. Pictured, back row, left to right are Officers Mike Madden, Marwan Shatara, Detective Albert Dowdell of the Belle Glade Police Department, Officer Terry Moore, Officer J. Lafcoe, Officer Dexter Mills, Officer Michael Watkins, Officer J. Sanchez and front row, center, Officer Beamon Rich, J. Sanchez and Robert Drake.

# Weather outlook for the coming winter

When it comes to winter weather, I always defer to the residents of Minnesota. While I did spend a couple of years in neighboring Wisconsin covering my share of cold snaps and blizzards, the folks who call Minnesota home are real winter weather experts. After all, few places in the world are as cold and white.

So when I heard that state officials in Minnesota were taking some unusual steps to prepare for the upcoming winter, it caught my attention. It seems that the state of Minnesota will pay farmers to leave their corn stalks in the field this winter.

Officials think the stalks will act as a natural snow fence, keeping Minnesota highways clear of blowing snow and ice. Apparently, dozens of farmers have agreed to the plan.

It sounds like the weather-wise folks in Minnesota think the coming winter may be rough. Guess what? They may be right.

The nation's top climate and weather experts say the recent string of record warm winters is over. These experts predict the winter of 2000-2001 is going to be very different.

"We've probably forgotten over the last two years what a normal winter is like," said NOAA administrator Dr. James Baker. "With the La Nina out of the way, normal winter weather has a good chance to return to the United States this year."



Mike Lyons

A "normal winter" actually means a winter of extreme weather: periods of arctic outbreaks along with powerful storms dumping heavy snow. And a "normal winter" means a better chance of a devastating freeze here in Florida.

La Nina, the nickname for the cooler-than-normal sea surface temperatures of the equatorial Pacific Ocean, dominated the last two winters. That large pool of cool water affects the intensity and track of upper level winds, leading to worldwide changes in the weather.

Over the last two winters, those upper level winds were steered into Canada taking most of the cold and snow with it. The results were two of the mildest winters on record.

Now that the La Nina is gone, climate experts expect a return to a more normal pattern for the upper level winds. The result is expected to be more snow and more cold air in the United States.

For example, New York, Boston, Philadelphia and Washington D.C. should have a very white winter. Experts think the Northeast will see more snow than average this year.

The Upper Midwest, on the other hand, can expect less snow but more arctic outbreaks. Climate experts think the region will experience more days of below zero weather this winter.

The western third of the country is likely to experience more heavy rain events, while the Southeast can expect a mild but wet Florida.

Here in Florida, the experts are predicting a warm and dry winter. However, the potential for a significant freeze is quite high.

If the experts are right, a "normal winter" is about to return to the United States. It sounds like the next few months will be very interesting.

Mike Lyons is the chief weather specialist for WPBF-TV.

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### Commissioner responds to Speak Out

This is in response to the Speak Out regarding water problems in the Oct. 26 Sun Newspaper. As one of the newest City Commissioners, I also am concerned about the quality of water in Belle Glade. About two weeks ago, I spent some time touring the Water Plant and the Waste Treatment Facility with the Utilities Director to try to gain some insight into their daily operations. The City of Belle Glade has approved funding to build an Alternate Water Intake Source, which will improve the quality of water to the citizens of Belle Glade. The completion date for this project is scheduled for January 15, 2001. As of Oct. 23, a new chemical program was implemented that should help alleviate the problems with the color of the water until the Alternate Water Intake Source can be completed. I was very impressed with the operations of both of these facilities and would like to thank Ken Robinson for his cooperation.

Thank you,  
Jeff Hawkins

### Put petty, negative input aside

In responding to the comments about the city government in Pahokee in The Sun, I put this petty, negative input aside and join our council, civic organizations and churches and make out city a better and beautiful place for us and our children. This petty negative input sends the wrong message to our children. Instead, let us be role models that stand positive, strong and united in our churches, civic organizations and city government. I applaud our council and all committed to a better Pahokee. I have known Hugh and Barbara Branch for over 50 years and I know of no other city government that is more of themselves and to our community. Thank you Hugh and Barbara.

### Daily or monthly commissioner?

I'm wondering, who is Commissioner Babb? Do city commissioners work every day as commissioners or month to month? The reason I'm asking is that I never see Mr. Babb. He's not at every council meeting, which is two times a month.

I attend workshops and he's seldom there. Have you to see him at any of the city functions. Last week, the city had a fun day for kids. Where was Commissioner Babb? On Saturday morning, the immigration department had a breakfast prior to the little league football game for the kids. Where was Commissioner Babb? I have seen Mr. Singletary and I have seen Commissioner Crawford and even though I didn't vote for Commissioner Branch, I see him attending these functions. At the Pahokee homecoming parade, where was Commissioner Babb? I've told he's never at city hall but once a month on check day. I've heard he's asked the city manager to be informed on everything that goes on in the city, but how can he be informed if he only comes to city hall once a month and never checks with the city manager on any issues? Yet when he comes to the commission meetings, he wants to question the city manager about why he hasn't been informed on any of the new issues that arrived.

The voters need to question Commissioner Babb about his whereabouts when he is supposed to be attending city functions. I'm also told that when there are meetings for his fraternity club in Belle Glade, he always finds time to make it. So who does he serve, the city that elected him to represent them or his fraternity in Belle Glade? Perhaps Commissioner Babb needs to run for office in Belle Glade and leave space available in Pahokee for someone who will serve Pahokee.

### Let's give the boys some sense of dignity

What's up with H.S. varsity football team eating dinner in the parking lot of the host school after away football games? The athletic director picks up the food during the 4th quarter, only for the food to be cold by the end of the game. To make matters worse, the boys eat in the parking lot, where sometimes they eat in the dirt.

Now, as consumers, we know that fast food restaurants like Burger King and McDonald's throw away tons of food each year that has sat for 10-15 minutes. So why are our boys eating food that may have sat for 15 minutes?

Would it be too much for them to actually eat at a restaurant? A phone call at the end of the game would alert them to begin preparing for the crowd. Since you're feeding about 40-50 people, I'm sure there is a restaurant that would gladly accommodate the order. Let's give the boys some sense of dignity about themselves despite their losing season. According to some veteran players, this practice started with the former athletic director and has continued through the present time.

### You're hurting the city

I'm calling in on the new city manager who was supposed to be hired. He now has a lawsuit against the city. He says he was waiting to work and improve the city.

I think it's a big joke for all these people who love Belle Glade. This city has a lot of lawsuits against it. You're not hurting the City of Belle Glade, you're hurting the people in it. We're the ones who are going have to be picking up the bill.

I think it's really ridiculous, that Harma Miller and all of them have lawsuits against the city that they said they so wanted so improve.

### Turn off the fire hydrant

Over the last three months I've called in about a problem but I have not seen anything printed in the paper about it. If it has been printed then I apologize because I missed it somehow. At the end of 26th St., there is a fire hydrant on. It's been on for one solid year and no one has turned it off.

Why is that we have had a fire hydrant running for one solid year? I'm beginning to think maybe whoever works at The Sun never lives here, it's a restaurant coming out my door. But, anyway I'd like for the city commissioners or the fire department or the water department to tell me why that thing has been on for one solid year running.

**Editor's note:** No one on our staff lives near that location. We apologize that this caller's Speak Out failed to run. We sometimes have problems with the recording machine, or operator error, and we have lost a few calls. I'm sure after this runs the city will check this hydrant out. Let us know if you continue to see a problem. Thank you for Speaking Out.

### Sick about breakfast issue

I made me sick to read last week's Speak Out. Who are these people to complain about breakfast? When I was coming up, I didn't have a mother and a dad. We had to live at my grandmother's. We never had a restaurant coming out of school. I never rode a bus in my life to school, we had to walk. I think it's ridiculous for people to complain about the school not furnishing a breakfast. I'm 76, it would be long until I'm 80 if I live two years and I think it's horrible that people can't grow something for their kids at home and expect the school do it.

### Just like in any race, there is good and bad

"I'm a Muslim who was born here, and American-born Palestinian. Everywhere I look, everybody stereotypes Muslims as being terrorists or being people who just want to kill. They have to understand that this has been a long struggle. We live in our homeland, but we have no freedom. The Israelis try to copy off the American way of life, yet they fail to copy the most important aspect of American life and that is freedom of speech, freedom of religion. There are so many freedoms in America and yet they fail to copy those. But not all Muslims are terrorists. There are some good people just like in any race, there is good and bad. So, I just want people to understand that."

## Letters to the Editor

### Dear Editor:

Governors who become president carry their state with them like an open book.

To George W. Bush of Texas, big corporations (especially Big Oil) are the unchallenged kings. Government, on the other hand, is an irritating imposition, like speed limits, that holds people back. Texas is so hostile toward government power that few expect it to do anything about poverty, health care or pollution.

As a consequence, in addition to the worst air pollution, Texas also has the nation's highest rate of toxic waste production, the most odorous factories, farms and feedlots and some of the worst public health and public educational systems.

Bush's "Compassionate Conservatism," echoes his father's "kinder, gentler America." Both are attitudes, not programs. Bush doesn't want to see polluted streams or his asthmatic children on his watch and may wish things were different, but he does not think it is the job of government to make them so. Out of 461 polluting plants in Texas that

didn't face mandatory state or federal emission cuts, only 30 responded to his voluntary program to clean up the state's air, a sorry result that flows logically from "compassionate conservatism." His passion is for the polluters and nothing is conserved!

Sincerely,  
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### Dear Editor,

I am in the fifth grade at Hart-Ransom School in Modesto, Calif. I have adopted your state as a class project. I will be doing a report and making a display about Florida. In May, my class will be having a "State's Fair." I will show and display everything that I have learned about your state to my whole school.

It would be helpful to me if you could ask your readers to send me post cards of your state, maps, brochures, information about wildlife, industry, neat places to visit, statistics, sports teams, and other information and items your readers think would be helpful.

I hope your readers can help with my project. I'm looking forward to hearing from them. I promise to send thank you's!

Thank you from California

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## A scary time for Florida sugar farmers

Candy gobblins gobble up profits from lower sugar prices

Florida sugar farmers face a scary situation this Halloween. The prices they receive for their crops remain low, while the big international manufacturers of sugar-containing products play a trick on American consumers.

"Sugar farmers are suffering from the lowest prices in over 25 years, yet the food manufacturers are treating themselves to

record profit margins," said Jim Terrill, Executive Vice President at United States Sugar Corporation. "While we are streamlining our operations in response to lower sugar prices, food companies and subsidized foreign sugar producers profit."

Since the start of the 1996 Farm Bill, the wholesale refined sugar price has dropped almost 29 percent and the price for raw cane sugar declined dramatically during this time. The big international manufacturers of sugar-containing products—from candy makers to bakers and cereal companies—continue to raise their prices.

"The price consumers pay for candy has risen more than 6 percent during this period. Cereal prices are up almost 7 percent, cookies and other bakery products are up 8 percent and ice cream prices have climbed by 10 percent," said Luther Markwart, Chairman of the American Sugar Alliance, a national coalition of growers, processors, and refiners of sugarcane, sugar cane, and corn for sweetener.

"Even for sugar on the grocery store shelf, despite the dramatic one-third plunge in the wholesale price, the price consumers pay has barely declined at all, a

mere half-a-percentage point," Mr. Markwart added.

"What makes this doubly hard to take," Mr. Markwart said, "is that these big companies are the same ones that have tried to destroy U.S. sugar policy and put American farmers out of business just so they can fatten their profits even further. Now that's really Halloween trick or treat. These manufacturers are treating themselves while they are tricking American consumers and farmers."

For more information on U.S. sugar policy, visit [www.sugaralliance.org](http://www.sugaralliance.org).

## Farm Bureau says Everglades Restoration Plan is exercise in consensus

House passage of the first elements of a \$7.8 billion Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP) last Thursday was greeted enthusiastically by Florida Farm Bureau Federation (FFBF), the state's largest agricultural organization. The federation was a member of a working group of stakeholders that is widely credited, along with key lawmakers, with fostering a consensus on the bill. The stakeholders coalition included agricultural, water utilities and

homebuilders. That coalition worked closely with groups of environmental associations and the State of Florida.

"We anticipate the conference committee will be able to reconcile the House of Senate versions of this historic legislation before Congress adjourns," said FFBF President Carl B. Loop Jr. "This legislation has received bipartisan support in Congress; members of Congress made sure all stakeholders had a voice in framing the legislation."

Mr. Loop praised members of the state congressional delegation, particularly Rep. E. Clay Shaw of Ft. Lauderdale, who sponsored the legislation in the House, and Senators Bob Graham and Connie Mack, who worked to assure the stakeholders' concerns were addressed.

"A consensus on the Everglades has been a long, long time coming. This legislation reflects an historic exercise in reaching consensus on public

policy. It is of enormous importance to agriculture, the south Florida environment and all Florida residents," Mr. Loop said.

Florida Farm Bureau Federation is a general agricultural organization with more than 137,000 members. It is headquartered in Gainesville. There are 62 county Farm Bureaus in Florida. Florida Farm Bureau Federation is affiliated with the American Farm Bureau Federation based in Park Ridge, Ill.

## An estimated 40 million feral cats stalk America's wildlife

An estimated 40 million feral domestic cats are killing America's wildlife at an increasingly alarming rate.

To draw attention to the seriousness of the issue, the Florida Fish and Wildlife Conservation Commission (FWC) has joined an education campaign sponsored by the American Bird Conservancy called "CATS INDOORS!" Free-ranging domestic cats are exceptionally efficient and prolific predators of many wildlife species, including birds, small mammals and reptiles. said Jim Huffstodt, FWC's Everglades public information officer. "Birds such as quail, dove, song-birds and colonial seabirds are the most vulnerable to cat predation."

Organizations supporting the education effort include the Association of Avian Veterinarians, the Wildlife Society (the nation's largest professional association of wildlife biologists and land managers), the National Audubon Society, the Humane

Society of the United States (HSUS), the American Humane Association and many others.

The Humane Society estimates there are 40 million free-ranging feral cats that are left to fend for themselves either part or all of the time.

The growing trend toward the creation of feral cat colonies for unwanted cats is particularly disturbing to wildlife managers. Colonies are usually managed by well-meaning volunteers who feed the cats and attempt to capture, neuter, and release the cats back into the colonies. "Such cats not only prey on wildlife but can spread diseases such as feline distemper, rabies and feline leukemia among wildlife, including raccoons, foxes and skunks."

More information about wildlife implications of free-ranging cats may be obtained from the American Bird Conservancy Web site [www.abcbirds.org](http://www.abcbirds.org) or by contacting your county's animal control office.

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# Arrest Blotter

## Belle Glade

The Belle Glade Police Department handled 591 calls, issued 9 traffic citations and made 11 arrests the week of Oct. 23 to 29. Those arrested included:

Oct. 23 - Timothy Plegert, 19, simple domestic battery; Juvenile, 16, resisting arrest without violence.

Oct. 24 - No arrests.

Oct. 25 - Michael Williams, 37, simple domestic battery; Juvenile, 16, resisting arrest without violence; Ezell Lattimore, 23, retail theft.

Oct. 26 - Juvenile, 14, strong arm robbery, petit theft; George Williams, 44, retail theft.

Oct. 27 - Gwen Bailey, 46, contempt of court/assault.

Oct. 28 - Abel Garcia, 20, petit theft.

Oct. 29 - Juvenile, 17, aggravated battery with a deadly weapon, domestic battery, trespass, resist arrest without violence; Isaac Willis, 22, retail theft, resist arrest without violence; Lee Lawson, 44; carrying concealed weapon by convicted felon, resist officer without violence.

## Pahokee

The Pahokee Police

Department handled 210 calls, issued 3 traffic citations and made 16 arrests during the week of Oct. 23 - Oct. 28. Those arrested included:

Oct. 23 - Tony Kinaler, 43, obstructing and opposing, simple domestic battery; Robert Lee Johnson, 19, obstructing and opposing; Juan Martinez, 24, obstructing and opposing, criminal strict gang activity; James Nelson, 34, obstructing and opposing, possession of drug paraphernalia.

Oct. 24 - Javarious Brown, 20, obstructing and opposing, resisting arrest with violence.

Oct. 25 - Alvin Walker, 51, murder, robbery, aggravated battery on a person over 65, home intrusion.

Oct. 26 - Jamie Rivera, 24, aggravated robbery on a pregnant female; Benny Wright, 21, contempt of court; April Wilson, 23, contempt of court.

Oct. 27 - Jamie Littles, 21, failure to appear in court; Juvenile, 16, robbery, obstruction by disguised person.

Oct. 28 - Claude McCaw, 41, burglary, grand theft; Rafael Williams, 44, carrying a forged instrument; Timothy Tomblins, 16, battery.

Oct. 29 - Jennifer Loftin, 21, domestic battery; Charlotte Lamoureux, 45, obstructing and

opposing, corruption by threat to a public servant.

## South Bay

The South Bay Police Department made 14 arrests the week of Oct. 22 to Oct. 28. Those arrested included:

Oct. 22 - Anthony A. Chapple, 19, failure to appear arraignment, battery.

Oct. 23 - John E. Banks, 38, drug possession of marijuana.

Oct. 24 - No arrests.

Oct. 25 - Andre King, 38, drug possession cocaine; Willie J. McMillan, 51, warrant failure to appear, driving with license suspended; Darryl L. Henderson, 26, drug possession cocaine.

Oct. 26 - Michael Sissell, 47, warrant failure to appear possession stolen car; Henry S. Green, 41, warrant capias failure to appear possession of paraphernalia, drug possession cocaine, carrying concealed weapon.

Oct. 27 - Raymond L. Posey, 30, aggravated battery; Clarence D. Adams, 27, domestic battery; Juvenile, 14, domestic assault.

Oct. 28 - Charlie F. Dunning, 44, resisting arrest; Rex L. Neely, drug possession of marijuana; Francisco U. Hucanga, 44, disorderly intoxication.

## CrimeStoppers

Crime Stoppers of Palm Beach County, Inc., is asking citizens to help locate Michael Demetrius Police, a.k.a. Michael Smith, who is wanted for escape, possession of counterfeit currency, criminal mischief, misdemeanor failure to appear and obstructing officer without violence.

Police is a black male, 6'0" tall, and weighs 165 pounds. He has black hair, brown eyes and tattoos on his right and left arms. His date of birth is Sept. 18, 1976.

His last known address was 625 S.W. 4th St., Belle Glade. Police's warrant was active as of Oct. 24, 2000.

If you know the whereabouts of Michael Demetrius Police or anyone involved in a serious crime, call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-458-8477. You can remain anonymous and still receive cash reward of up to \$1,000 if your tip leads to an arrest.



Michael Demetrius Police

## Belle Glade PD warns residents about counterfeit bills

The Belle Glade Police Department is investigating several counterfeit \$100 dollar bills which are being passed as genuine throughout the City of Belle Glade. The counterfeit bills contain no water markings or hair fibers.

All persons and businesses who are accepting large bills are urged to double check the currency prior to accepting the bills.

If you have any information on the person or persons making or passing these counterfeit United States currency bills, or any other crimes, please contact the Belle Glade Police at 561-996-7251.

## Palm Beach County Schools collect bears for kids

For the fourth consecutive year, Palm Beach County School Food Service Association members are collecting teddy bears for children in Palm Beach County who experience traumatic situations brought on by accidents or domestic violence.

The bears are donated to the

Palm Beach County Sheriff's Community Involvement Team who administers the distribution as situations arise.

The P.B.C.S.F.S.A. is made up of Food Service assistants and members in our 136 public schools. Community service projects are important to the

association and anything dealing with children is a high priority.

Bears will be collected until Nov. 15, at which time the Palm Beach County Sheriff's C.I.T. Unit will pick-up the bears at the School Food Service monthly meeting to be held at the Dreyfoos School of the Arts.

Fax Number (561) 924-8116.

The winner of the Name the Lake O Monster Contest will be awarded a 4 hour cruise on Lake Okeechobee, donated by Mid-Lakes Navigation.

The top 10 essays will be published in the Grassy Waters Festival Program and the overall winner of the essay contest will be invited to read his or her essay during the Veteran's Celebration.

Please contact Alice Thompson, executive director of Pahokee Chamber of Commerce at (561) 924-5579 or Kay Zaccagnino, chairperson (561) 924-7844 for further information.



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Auditions will be held at the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center in Belle Glade on Monday, Nov. 6 beginning at 3 p.m. (6-9 year-olds), 4 p.m. (10-16 year-olds), and 5 p.m. (15 year-olds and tumblers). All students should be in dance, cheerleading, school tumbling groups or cheerleading squads. For additional information, call the Dolly Hand Cultural Arts Center at 596-992-6160.

## Free computer classes

Parents, teachers and community members are invited to free computer classes at Pahokee High and Glades Central.

Session two at Pahokee High is Nov. 2, 9, 16, and 30 and Dec. 7.

At Glades Central, session two is Nov. 6, 13, 20, 27 and Dec. 4.

Registration and snacks are offered the first night at 6 p.m. and classes begin at 6:30 p.m. and end at 8 p.m.

Bus transportation and child care/tutoring are offered.

Call the Technology Literacy Challenge Fund Office to register. Telephone numbers are 924-6419 or 924-3165.

## Open house

Animal Medical Clinic of Belle Glade (formerly known as Kidder Animal Hospital) invites the community to their Open House Anniversary on Saturday, Nov. 11 from 1 to 3:30 p.m.

There will be free heart worm testing, free dog washes, and a pet and owner look alike contest.

Everyone is invited for the fun, food and festivities at 208 N.W. Avenue L, Belle Glade.

For more information call 996-9010.

## Youth Unity Players Theatre Present Blessings in Disguise

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cast at one or all four performances.

The Prince Theatre located at 231 East Main Street, just north of downtown Pahokee.

The play will be held on Saturday, Nov. 11 at 4 p.m.; Sunday, Nov. 12 at 3 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 18 at 7 p.m. and on Sunday, Nov. 19 at 3 p.m.

Tickets are available at the box office on the day of the shows. Ticket prices are: \$3 for adults, \$2 for students with school I.D. and \$1 for children 3 to 12 years old.

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## Georgia pecans

As one of their service projects, the Belle Glade Garden Club is again this year selling Georgia pecans, medlars and halves.

To place your order call Lurline Brooks at 996-2506 or pick up your pecans at JKL Productions, 1100 North Main Street, Suite A, Belle Glade or call JKL at 996-0806.

## Grassy Waters Festival

The 12th Annual Grassy Waters Festival Nov. 11 is hosting a Chili Challenge! Please bring your best chili recipe for a chance to win bragging rights for having the best Chili in the Glades!

Other activities scheduled for the Annual Grassy Waters Festival will include a Name the Lake O Monster Contest, Okeechobee Sailboat Regatta, Essay Contest, Veteran's Celebration and Live Entertainment. Admission is free!

To submit an entry for the "Name the Lake O Monster" contest, please fax the entry to Pahokee Chamber of Commerce.

## Turkey/Ham Shoot

A Turkey/Ham shoot will be held at the Pahokee Elks Lodge #1638 on Friday, Nov. 17 from 5 to 9 p.m., on Saturday, Nov. 18 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., on Sunday, Nov. 19 from 2-6 p.m. and a pistol shooting on Sunday, Nov. 19 from 4 to 6 p.m.

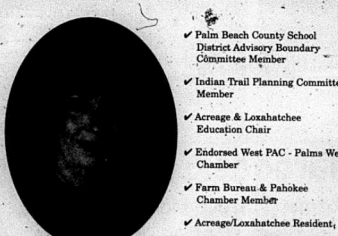
The turkey shoot will be \$2 and the ham shoot \$4. For more information call 561-924-7727 after 4 p.m.

## The Julian Branch Festival of Lights

Planning for Pahokee's annual Christmas light-up celebration has begun. A number of volunteers have been meeting at Hugh & Barbara Branch's home to plan their strategy for the most beautiful festival of lights ever. Three new pole decorations have been purchased this year as well as a 13 foot angel for Pahokee Harbor. Volunteers are still needed. If you would like to be a part of this exciting project, call Barbara Branch, 924-5633, Shirley Jarriel, 924-7771, or the Pahokee Chamber of Commerce, 924-5579.

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## Homecoming Queen and Court



Glades Day High School Homecoming Queen Kristina Sanchez is flanked by her court following her coronation Oct. 20. Pictured, left to right are Kristina Sanchez, Veronica Muniz, Miss Gilliam, Joni Harrington, Heather York and Summer Miller.

## Glades Area NAACP Youth Group participate in voter empowerment

Members of the Glades Area NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People) participated in voter empowerment on Saturday, Oct. 28, in the City of South Bay. Members of the group distributed literature to South Bay residents and encouraged them to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 7.

Youth participating in the door-to-door campaign included Donald Grant, Bill Grant, Dominica Grant, Daphney Jackson, Tiffany Williams, Ernestine Johnson, Brandey Jackson, Jamira Brown, Shaquanda Mitchell, Paul Smith, Jarod Smith, Brandon Smith, Nancy Smith, Mildred Moseley, Myrtle Rainosa and Tammy Moore.

Following the literature distribution, the participants enjoyed a pizza lunch.

Many other events, as well as trips, are planned for the NAACP Youth Group. The youth group assists local youths in reaching their full potential so

they can have the opportunity to become well-rounded adults. They will be attending seminars and conferences that will highlight issues dealing with self-esteem, overall appearance, family life, financial issues, peer pressure, etc.

"The main objective is to afford local youths the opportunity to experience those things which many of the rural youths can only imagine," said NAACP Youth Advisor Tammy Moore. "I am committed to this project because our kids are very

important to me and with proper guidance, and by helping them to make correct choices, all things are possible. Obstacles only make us work harder."

"I want the local youths to know that the people above you pull you up, the people next to you hold you up, and the people under you push you up," Mrs. Moore concluded.

If any youths, ages 10-18, are interested in joining the NAACP Youth Group, please contact Mrs. Moore at 993-0071.

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## Homecoming Royalty



David Ruiz and Sonya Jova were crowned king and queen during the halftime break at the Pahokee football homecoming game on Friday. Pictured with the king and queen are the members of the court.

## Baez witnesses sentence hearing for class

Israel Baez III, a freshman criminal justice major from Belle Glade was one of sixteen Culver-Stockton College students in Culver-Stockton's Judicial Process class that observed the sentencing hearing in the case of People of the State of Illinois v. Stephens.

The hearing was held Oct. 2 in Adams County Courthouse in Quincy, Ill. Daniel Stephens, found guilty by a jury of second degree murder, was sentenced by a judge to serve 12 years in prison.

For some of the students,

this experience was the first time they had been to a sentencing trial. They observed the actions of the judge, the defense attorney and the prosecuting attorney in an actual courtroom in an actual case.

Stephen Landuyt, assistant professor of criminal justice at Culver-Stockton College, teaches the Judicial Process class and presented the opportunity for students to attend the hearing. Near the end of the semester, students will participate in mock trials in class.

Culver-Stockton College is a

small, four-year residential coeducational liberal arts college located in Canton, MO., affiliated with the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ).

Mr. Baez is the son of Israel and Cynthia Baez, Jr. of Belle Glade.

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**Powell and Lumpkin to wed**  
Crystal Evon Powell of Lawton and Darren Wayne Lumpkin of Michie, formerly of Belle Glade, will be joined in marriage on Nov. 4, 2000, at 2 p.m. at Victory Baptist Church in Corinth, Miss.

The bride-elect is the daughter of David and Tina Powell of Lawton. Grandparents are Barbara McCormick of Selmer, Rita and the late Billy Cox of Lawton and Hilda and the late Henry Powell of Memphis.

The groom-elect is the son of Darren and Nancy Lumpkin of Michie. He is a former resident of Belle Glade. Grandparents are Elmer and Nellie Miller of Michie and Foster Lumpkin of Clewiston and Doris Robinson of Clewiston.

All friends and family are invited. Invitations are being sent to out of town friends and family only. Maps to the church will be located at the Apple Barrel Express in Adamsville.

## Beta Sigma Phi Nu Kappa plans Thanksgiving project

Beta Sigma Phi's Nu Kappa chapter held their October meeting at the home of Betty Hodges. Members present were Elizabeth Harrington, Nora Cravens, Marsha Smith, Becky White and Julie Zambray. Plans for a

Thanksgiving service project were discussed and finalized. Betty served a delicious dinner before the meeting to everyone with Halloween decorated brownies for dessert. The next meeting will be hosted by Julie Zambray.

## Sappenfield graduates from basic training

Army National Guard Pfc. Thomas W. Sappenfield has graduated from basic combat training at Fort Jackson, Columbia, S.C.

During the training the soldier received instruction and practice in drill and ceremony, marching, rifle marksmanship, armed and

unarmed combat, map reading, field tactics, military courtesy, military justice, physical fitness, first aid and Army history and traditions.

He is the son of Thomas Sappenfield of Belle Glade and Sandra Limbrick of Louisville, Ky.

**Evelyn Howell**  
Evelyn Howell Lair of Ft. Pierce, 90, died Monday, Oct. 23, 2000 at Port St. Lucie. Mrs. Lair was born in Geneva County, Ala. She moved to Port St. Lucie from Okla.

Mrs. Lair was a master teacher. Her first post, 1915, was in a one-room log cabin in Panama City. She also taught for 13 years in Marianna and in the Palm Beach County School System for 25 years. Her classes ranged from learning disabled to gifted students. Her final years in the schools were as West Area Title I Comm. Skills Coordinating Teacher. She continued her focus on education by volunteer teaching in Learn to Read of St. Lucie County, Inc.

Mrs. Lair was a charter member of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, and served a term as president. She was also very active in the United Methodist Women's group, and taught a youth Sunday School Class.

She was a skilled bridge player and belonged to the Tuesday and Thursday Night Bridge Clubs. She is survived by daughters, Dorothy and her husband Jimmie Vendegrist of Port Pierce and Bonniell Lair and Howard Ballen of Manhasset, N.Y.; sisters, Dot Zimmerman of Birmingham, Ala. and Bonnie King of Laverne, Ala.; one grandchild and one great grandchild.

Calling hours were between 1 and 2 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 26 at First United Methodist in Pahokee. Burial services took place at 2 p.m. at Port Mayaca Cemetery. Rev. Robert E. May and Rev. Cary L. Killen officiated.

Hastley-Hobbs Funeral Home, Inc. in Fort Pierce took charge of arrangements.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be sent to the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, 710 W. 168th St., New York, N.Y. 10032 and Learn to Read of St. Lucie County, 1102 So. US #1, Ft. Pierce, Fla. 34950.

**Julia Lufey Teyrouz**  
Julia Lufey Teyrouz passed away Friday, Oct. 27, 2000. Her husband passed five years ago.

She is survived by two daughters and sons-in-law, Liela and husband Vince Romano of Bradenton and Nora and husband Lee Richmond and their children, Gerry, Karen, Julia and AJ all of Clewiston; two sisters and brothers-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Dolore and Charles Joseph of New Jersey and Mr. and Mrs. Josephine and Bill Najmy of Bradenton; Julia Lufey and his wife, Catherine, of Belle Glade and sister-in-law Jacqueline Lufey of Brooklyn. She also survived by several nieces and nephews, great nieces and great nephews.

Memorial mass was held Wednesday, Nov. 1 in Bradenton, to be followed by a mass at the "Altar Society" in the St. Phillip's Parish in Belle Glade at 11 a.m. today, Thursday, Nov. 2. Burial will follow at Queen of Peace Cemetery in Belle Glade.

Funeral arrangements by Griffith and Klein of Palmetto.

## Former local girl competes in Las Vegas

Sixteen-year-old Holly Rene, the Okeechobee High School Junior (formerly of Pahokee) who competed in the Country Music Organization's Antenna 1999 Annual national competition last week in Las Vegas, did not win an award. She did place fourth in the competition in the gospel category and said she was very pleased with her performance there and will make the trek again next year to try for the title of Gospel Female Vocalist of the Year. The competition is very tough and the judging was very close, according to officials there.

Holly Rene competed in both the gospel and the new country categories on the stage of the Hard Gras room at the Showboat Hotel and Casino. She was accompanied by her grandmother and aunt. She also presented two 20-minute country showcases, while being backed by the state band, 2nd Church from Ft. Myers. The band won numerous awards at the competition and had to learn over 220 new songs in order to back over 35 performers from the State of Florida (and other states as well).

Miss Rene would like to take this opportunity to thank all those

who so generously and faithfully supported her efforts in Las Vegas. Many, many individuals, businesses, and especially her church family at Pahokee First United Methodist Church donated funds to send her to the competition. Her family held barbecues in both Pahokee and Okeechobee to help fund the trip also. Foodland, Burger King, the City of Pahokee, Michael Slaughter and Kentucky Fried Chicken, all local Pahokee sponsors, Hugh H. Branch, Inc. and Wendy's of Belle Glade, Merita Bread, Wal-Mart, Dorothy's Hair Salon, and CountrySide Florist of Okeechobee were all businesses who contributed to her cause. Without their financial and prayer support, the trip would not have happened.

Following the competition in Vegas, a DJ/radio station manager from Denmark approached her and asked for a demo CD that he could play on the air. Miss Rene will be going to the studio to prepare a CD, possibly two, one contemporary Christian and one new country, to be sent to the DJ.

Holly Rene will be returning to the competition next year by invitation and plans to collaborate

with the leader of the Rich County band to record an original song in the near future. "I will enter more categories next year, she has decided and will definitely give the competition a tough time. Apparently all her hard work and sacrifice of her private time is worth it."

Miss Rene not only excels in her singing ability. Upon returning home, she received her report card and achieved all A's and B's. She resides in Okeechobee with her dad, her stepmother and one of her siblings, works at the Okeechobee News as part of the internship program at the High School and also at Dorothy's Hair Salon after school. If the singing doesn't come into fruition, she has a plan "B". She wants to attend college and would like to pursue a career in either journalism, communications or government. "I want to do something where my job will look up to me," she said. She has been considering attending Florida's Southern College, a Methodist school in Lakeland.

She will next appear at Westfest this coming Sunday, Nov. 5 at 4 p.m. on the Community Stage for a 45-minute concert.

## Jen McCray leads Glades Women's Weekend Nov. 3-5

A message of hope for troubled times will be brought at the Glades Women's Weekend by guest speaker and author, Jen McCray at the Pahokee United Methodist Church, 491 East Main St., Pahokee.

Ms. McCray is a full-time Evangelist, teacher, preacher and also has a Radio Ministry. This is a time for all the ladies of the Glades to come together for these non-denominational messages.

Starting off with a time of greeting and welcome at 7 p.m. on Friday evening, Nov. 3, special music by local talent will

start at 7:15 followed by the message by Jen A. a.m., Saturday morning, Nov. 4, there will be a book signing and time to chat with Jan held at the church. Then a catered lunch will be served at 12:30 p.m., cost \$7.50. In the church fellowship hall. Afternoon session/Bible study will begin at 1:30 to 4 p.m. The whole family (ladies bring your husband and children) is invited to the evening service which begins at 7 p.m. A nursery will be provided for all services.

On Sunday morning, Nov. 5, at 9:30 a.m., Ms. McCray will

lead a Bible Study class at the Pahokee United Methodist Church. Then at 11 a.m., she will be guest speaker for the morning worship services at Canal Point Methodist Church.

Sponsored by the Ladies of the Canal Point and Pahokee United Methodist Churches, they are looking forward to seeing all their friends from all over the Glades area joining them for this time of fun and fellowship. For more information, you may call 924-7325 or 924-7241.

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# Sports

## Glades Central's winning streak continues

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza

They say a chain is only as strong as its weakest link; rival schools will testify that they have yet to find that link in Glades Central's cast iron chain.

The Glades Central Raiders (8-0) shut out visiting Wellington Wolverines 39-0, not allowing them any completed passing yards in the process.

Glades Central completely dominated the field as they scored in every quarter of the game.

It all began in the first quarter when junior quarterback Curtis Holley threw a 25-yard pass to senior receiver Antonio Hill, scoring the first touchdown. Sophomore running back Michael Brown took over the latter part of the first as he scored twice: from 28 and 55-yard runs into the end zone. Holley once again threw a 57-yard touchdown pass to junior receiver Antonio Holmes in the second quarter.

Holley twice again went for the gold after launching a 14-yard pass to teammate junior receiver Jimmy Vincent. And it ended in the fourth with a 44-yard pass thrown by sophomore quarterback Leon Camel and caught by junior receiver Joseph Chapple.

Late in the season, Head Coach Willie Bueno's early season goal sounds like an understatement. "We're playing to get better. Our goal is to play better and better every week. We're playing pretty good."

Glades Central has only two more regular season challenges scheduled before the year is out: Cardinal Gibbons and Palmetto.

Kick off against Cardinal Gibbons will be at 2:30 p.m. Saturday away.



Big "A's" offensive players of the week included, from left to right: Antonio Hill (touchdown from pass), Leon Camel (threw touchdown pass), Michael Brown (two touchdowns), Curtis Holley (threw three touchdown passes), Antonio Holmes (touchdown from pass), Jimmy Vincent (touchdown from pass), Joseph Chapple (touchdown from pass).



Jay and Cathy Seider (center) were honored by all the Glades Central High School seniors at the Friday night homecoming game dedicated to the memory of fallen teammate Jyron Seider.

## OKEECHOBEE BULLDOGS SUIT UP



Photo/Jose Jesus Zaragoza

The Belle Glade Police Department's Community Oriented Policing (COPS) unit coaches and sponsors three Little League Football Teams: the Pioneer Park (Eagles), Lake Shore Shore Park (Gators) and the Okeechobee Center (Bulldogs). Pictured above are members of the Okeechobee Bulldogs, one of the teams in the Glades American Youth Football League, as they suit up for their next game along with their coaches, Coach Freddie Garrett, Coach Jose Perez and Coach Jeffers Walker.

## NEW SUN WINNER



Lucretia Brown is the latest winner in the half time kick-off event at Glades Central. Sponsored by The Sun, the winner of a ticket drawing at Glades Central or Glades Day gets a chance to kick for the goal posts during the school's football halftime. Ms. Brown will receive a \$50 savings bond for making the goal.

## Charlton County defeats Glades Day 20-9

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza

The Glades Day Gators (4-4) faced off against number one Georgia-state ranked, division 2A Charlton County on Saturday night. Charlton County is the defending Georgia state champion. Charlton County won the game 20-9.

"They have a lot of speed and size," said Head Coach Craig Dobson of his team's opponent. "Four or five of them are going to be playing division 1 football. It was a really good game."

The Glades Day players were on their game and obtained great game stats. Senior Tito Mirabal was moved to tailback for the game and got 62 yards on 14 carries. Tito caught two passes from quarterback Kyle McNamara for a total of 45 yards. McNamara completed 13 of 23 passing attempts for 128 yards and one touchdown pass. Kyle also kicked a 28-yard field goal. Nick Sanchez scored the only touchdown for the Gators.

Defensively, the Gators were on fire. Eric Molares had 12 tackles and 2 recovered fumbles. Nick Sanchez had 9 tackles and one interception.

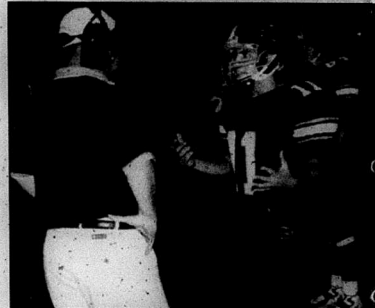
The Gators will play Moore Haven next in an away game tomorrow.

"Last year we beat them 44-7. They're a lot better this year than they were last year so we expect an intense game. We'll play as hard as we did last Saturday night," said Coach Dobson.

Kick off will be at 7:30 p.m.



From left to right: Shaun McKinety, Richard Hodges, Brannen Thomas, Kyle McNamara, Chris Russell and Eric Molares enjoy a little rest from the game against Charlton County on Saturday.



Glades Day School played an excellent game against Charlton County. One of the players who contributed a lot was Tito Mirabal seen here discussing play tactics with his coach.

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Player	Wins	Losses
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Mike Burkett	72	13
Randy Gay	59	26
Rick Gold	62	23
Billy Rimes	63	22
Adrian "Big A" Vereen	57	28

## This Week's Games

The underlined> team has the home field advantage.

Pahokee vs. Cardinal Newman  
 Glades Day vs. Moore Haven  
 Glades Central vs. Cardinal Gibbons  
 Clewiston vs. Immokalee  
Fla. State Seminoles vs. Clemson  
 Florida Gators vs. Vanderbilt  
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# Spanish River narrowly gains win over Pahokee 28-20

By Jose Jesus Zaragoza

Pahokee Blue Devils Junior quarterback Brandon Harley fought bravely against Spanish River, accumulating 19 of 42 passes, a touchdown and 254 passing yards, but the Blue Devils were ultimately edged out by Spanish River on Friday night.

Spanish River won the game 28-20 on their field following

touchdowns in the first half of the game. Pahokee's defense improved their playing in the latter half of the game, not allowing them any more second-half touchdowns; it turns out Spanish River didn't need any more touchdowns to seal the win.

Pahokee turned into an entirely different team defensively in the second half of the game and managed to score 20 points. The first of the Pahokee

touchdowns came in the third quarter of the game as Gerrod Thompson ran for 20-yards into the end zone after Pahokee blocked a Shark punt. Brandon Harley made a 3-yard run to score later in the quarter. Gary Godfrey caught a 52-yard pass from Brandon Harley to make Pahokee's score 20.

Pahokee's next game will be against Cardinal Newman Friday. Pahokee will be away and the game starts at 7:30 p.m.

## GLADES CENTRAL WINS BRAIN BOWL



On Saturday, Oct. 28, Glades Central's Black History Brain Bowl Team won the County Championship in a double elimination tournament. They defeated Pahokee Middle/Senior High School and School of the Arts in the first round of play and School of the Arts in the finals for the championship. Glades Central's team was undefeated in the competition but did play into sudden death in two of their games. The team consists of Jennifer Bolden, captain, Warren Adderley, co-captain, Joyce Rhoden, Abel Thermidor, Thomas Irving, and Stanley Day. They are coached by CIS teacher Anne Haskell. Shown, left to right: Thomas, Jennifer, Abel, Joyce, Stanley, Warren.

## MAKING A BIG SPLASH

Miss Maureen Kleist, a Palm Beach County School teacher inside the dunking booth at Bay Fest in South Bay Saturday was dunked by Alonzo Tommie Vereen.



## CHEERS!



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By Inge B. Ford, D.M.D.

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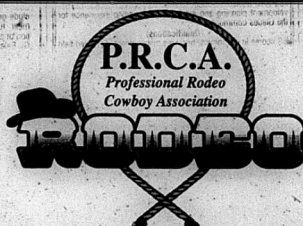
Millions of Americans, many who are seniors, suffer from hypertension or high blood pressure. This disease is often referred to as the "silent killer", and is related to repeatedly having abnormal blood pressure reading greater than 140/90. The severity of this disease is not to be taken lightly. With high blood pressure there is an increased risk of stroke, heart attack, eye and kidney damage. The symptoms are not always obvious; hence, a person can have hypertension for years and not know about it. Often times people diagnosed with hypertension are advised to limit salt intake, lose weight and increase their physical exercise. In the event these precautions are not enough, drugs prescribed by your physician may be introduced to reduce the blood pressure. Depending on the drug or combination administered by the doctor, these drugs decrease the force of heart contractions, relax blood vessel walls and decrease blood volume to reduce blood pressure. As your dentist, I am concerned about good management of hypertension. Patients with poorly managed hypertension will often bleed more after routine dental surgery. Patients who take antihypertensive drugs may be more sensitive to the dental anesthetics (numbing medicine) and experience a higher incidence of dizziness when elevated in a dental chair from a supine (lying back) position.

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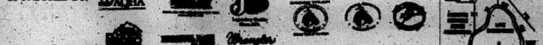
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